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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	DELAWARE BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.
PLACE:	Division of Professional Regulation, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard Cannon Building, Second Floor Conference Room A, Dover, Delaware
MINUTES APPROVED:	March 28, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Todd Grande, Ph.D., LCDP, **President**
Daniel Cooper, LPCMH
Mary Caroselli, LMFT
Dr. Margaret Prouse, Ed.D., Public Member
Ruth Banta, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General
Nicole Williams, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

Irvin Bowers, Public Member, **Secretary**
Dr. Julius Mullen, Ed, D., LPCMH, Vice-President
Dr. Rosemary Madl-Young, Ph.D., LCDP

ALSO PRESENT

Matthew Turley, Delaware Professional Counseling Association (DCPA)
Jennifer August, ART-BC
Terri Willis, ART-BC
Elysha Mason
Tyler Clark
Angela Robinson
Chelsea Andrews
LaSheea Hicks

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Grande called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the December 20, 2017 meeting minutes and the January 24, 2018 Legislative Committee minutes for approval. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to approve the both sets of meeting minutes as written. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Continued PTD Hearing for Angela Robinson at 12:00 p.m.

The continued PTD hearing for Angela Robinson began at 12:10 p.m. Ms. Singh recapped the reason for the reason for the Board's decision to propose to deny Ms. Robinson's application for the new members of the Board that were not present for the original PTD hearing in March of 2017. Ms. Robinson was present and again represented without Counsel. Ms. Robinson remained under oath and continued her testimony before the Board. The Board questioned Ms. Robinson. After deliberations, Mr. Cooper moved, seconded Ms. Caroselli, to approve Ms. Robinson's LPCMH application for licensure. Dr. Grande opposed. By majority vote, the motion carried. The hearing concluded at 12:28 p.m.

PTD Hearing for Jessica Estok, LPCMH at 12:30 p.m.

Ms. Singh called the hearing to order at 12:30 p.m. The Board introduced themselves for the record. Ms. Singh addressed the Board regarding the reason for the hearing as the Board proposed to deny Ms. Estok's application for licensure as a LPCMH as it appears she does not meet the statutory requirements pursuant to 24 Del. C. Section 3032 (a)(3), the applicant must pass a national licensure exam approved by the Board. Ms. Estok's application packet and all supporting documents and correspondence were submitted as Board Exhibit 1. Ms. Singh sworn in Ms. Estok, who was not represented by Counsel. Ms. Estok provided her testimony before the Board. The Board entered into deliberations at 12:34 p.m. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to allow Ms. Estok the opportunity to withdraw her application as there is no provision to waive the NCE exam requirement as it is a statutory requirement. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. Ms. Estok will withdraw her application. The hearing concluded at 12:35 p.m.

Review of Tabled Application for Charlotte Wilson, LCDP

The Board reviewed and discussed the additional information submitted from Ms. Wilson. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to propose to deny Ms. Wilson's application as it appears she does not meet the statutory supervision requirements given the supervision forms and documentation she provided. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of tabled request for Crysta Harris

The Board reviewed and discussed the additional information submitted by Ms. Harris to change her supervisors for her LACMH. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Grande, to approve Ms. Harris's request. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of tabled application for Miriam Bhutta

The Board reviewed and discussed the additional documentation submitted by Ms. Bhutta for her LPCMH license application. Ms. Caroselli moved, seconded by Ms. Banta to approve Ms. Bhutta's application for licensure. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of tabled request for Holly Aschendorf

The Board reviewed and discussed the additional documentation submitted by Ms. Aschendorf to change her supervisors for her LACMH. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Banta to approve Ms. Aschendorf's request. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Proposed draft regulations pursuant to HB 82 and SB 43

The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed draft regulations for final review. The Board discussed changing Rule 11.2.2.4, regarding 50 percent of the CE's must be live or in real time. Dr. Grande advised

that he is in agreement with eliminating the rule entirely. Ms. Caroselli moved, seconded by Dr. Grande, to strike 11.2.2.4 entirely from the regulations which will allow for all continuing education to be completed online. Dr. Grande moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to approve the regulations overhaul as proposed. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Discussion on proposed grandfathering clause for Art Therapists

Ms. Singh advised that she worked on drafting language for a grandfathering clause for Art Therapists. The request was that the bill needed to come from the Board. The original language was under reciprocity in the Board's previous statute. Ms. August addressed the Board regarding the discussion on the grandfathering clause for Art Therapists, specifically Section 3062 (1)-(3) of the statute which states:

- (1) Has completed 1 of the following:
 - a. A master's or doctoral degree in art therapy from an accredited educational institution ~~with a minimum of 60 credit hours of graduate course work in an art therapy program~~ that was either approved by the American Art Therapy Association or accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs at the time the degree was conferred. ~~For those graduating with a master's degree prior to January 2013, a minimum of 48 graduate semester credit hours or 72 quarter-hour credits is required.~~
 - b. A graduate degree in an allied field from an accredited educational institution and graduate-level work which is the equivalent to a master's degree in art therapy, as determined by the Board.
- (2) Following the completion of the master's degree, has successfully completed not less than 2 years of supervised experience. The experience must consist of not less than 3,200 hours obtained over a period of not more than 4 consecutive years.
- (3) Has passed the board examination of the Art Therapy Credentials Board (ATCB).

Dr. Prouse moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve the proposed draft language change for grandfathering by striking the 60 credit hour requirement and the last sentence entirely above from Section 3062 (1)(a). By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Application(s) for LPCMH Licensure – Upgrade

Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to ratify the approved licenses to upgrade for the below licensees. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

1. Virginia Turssline
2. Giannina Figueroa
3. Rachel Nelson

Review of Application(s) for LAMFT

The Board reviewed and considered applications submitted for LAMFT licensure.

1. Shewayaya Mola - Ms. Caroselli moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve the Ms. Mola's application for licensure. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.
2. Anna Raport – Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to contingently approve the application for Ms. Rapport for licensure upon receipt of clarification of the breakdown of her 3200 hours. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Application(s) for LMFT

The Board reviewed and considered applications submitted for LMFT licensure.

1. Jenise Bryce - request for approval to sit for AMFTRB exam - Ms. Caroselli moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to approve Ms. Bryce's application for licensure upon successfully passing the AMFTRB exam. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.
2. Arindia Taylor, Reciprocity – Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to approve Ms. Taylor for licensure. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of application(s) for LACMH Licensure

The Board reviewed and considered applications submitted for LACMH licensure. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to approve the applications below for licensure. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

1. Melissa Clendaniel
2. Rachel Foster
3. Shaylin Shorts

Review of Application(s) for LPCMH Licensure

Richelle Clark – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Clark. Dr. Prouse moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve Ms. Corbi's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Chelsea Andrews – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Andrews. Dr. Prouse moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve Ms. Andrew's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Susan Monson – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Monson. Dr. Prouse moved, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to approve Ms. Monson's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Jennifer Reynolds – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Reynolds. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to approve Ms. Reynold's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Bonnie Kotler – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Kotler. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to approve Ms. Kotler's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Melissa Reiner – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Reiner. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to approve Ms. Reiner's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Alexandra Azevedo – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Azevedo. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Caroselli, to table Ms. Azevedo's application for licensure as an LPCMH until receipt of Florida's licensure requirements to determine equivalency. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Kenneth Phillips – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Mr. Phillips. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to approve Mr. Phillips's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Indeya Chavis – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Chavis. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to approve Ms. Chavis's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Marion Travers – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Mr. Travers. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to approve Mr. Travers's application for licensure as an LPCMH. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Application(s) for LCDP

Allysa Kelly – The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Kelly. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to approve Ms. Kelly's application for licensure as a LCDP. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Rosalind Stewart - The Board reviewed and discussed the application for Ms. Stewart. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to approve the application for LCDP licensure for Ms. Stewart. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review of Continuing Education Request(s)

There were no continuing education requests for the Board to review.

Status of Complaints

There were none.

Review and consider reactivation request for Allison Banbury, LPCMH

The Board reviewed and discussed the reactivation request for Ms. Banbury. Dr. Prouse moved, seconded by Ms. Caroselli, to approve Ms. Banbury's reactivation for licensure as an LPCMH as she had fulfilled all requirements. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Review and consider supervision change request for LaSheea Hicks, LPCMH

The Board reviewed and discussed the supervision change request for Ms. Hicks. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Prouse, to table Ms. Hick's request to allow Ms. Hicks time to provide the appropriate supervision change request forms. Ms. Hicks was in attendance. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board discussed the letter submitted by Dr. Turley regarding the practice protection provision for the mental health profession. Ms. Singh advised that the Board previously expressed their desire to obtain practice protection in a bill that was drafted several years ago; however the bill did not get support. Social work recently changed from just title to title and practice. The Board would need to reach out to the professional associations to determine what hurdles the profession would be facing and the types of support the Board would get have for practice protection. Ms. Singh stated she can draft a bill to bring before the Board for the next meeting for review. Additionally she advised that the previous drafted bill excluded licensed chemical dependency professionals from the practice protection and included exemptions. Exemptions and practice protection can be included in one bill. The legislative committee can meet and review for discussion a draft protection bill. The draft bill will need to be ready for the Division early next Fall to be introduced into legislation.

The Division's Director, Mr. Mangler, was present and addressed the Board regarding their decision for a practice protection bill. Mr. Mangler stated that the Board will need to first identify the primary/key stakeholders that could have a significant negative impact by going from title protection to practice protection. The Board needs to consider everyone that will be affected by practice protection, such as people who work in State positions that call themselves counselors, professional counselors, etc. and how they will be significantly impacted by this new bill or the individuals that work for large companies that do not meet the requirements for licensure and getting those individuals educated in order to meet the requirements for licensure. The Board will need to identify those primary/key stakeholders and invite them into the meeting discussion regarding practice protection. HR will be involved because they will have to look at every job classification, which will most likely take months to determine what would be the negative impact. The other issue is the fiscal impact this will have on the State's budget, depending upon how the language is crafted and requirements will be placed upon individuals that might not meet the license requirements. Some of the key stakeholders are the hospitals, schools, and universities that employ licensed professional counselors.

Ms. Singh advised to add to next month's agenda "re-appoint legislative committee members."

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

There was no other business before the Board for discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

LaSheea Hicks addressed the Board to seek clarification on what is required for her LACMH supervision change. Ms. Singh and the Board provided clarification for Ms. Hicks.

Dr. Matthew Turley of the Delaware Professional Counseling Association addressed the Board to thank them for their review and discussion of his letter regarding practice protection and offered his assistance to the Board if needed.

Jennifer August addressed the Board regarding Terry Willis's request about the grandfathering clause which was excluded from the current law for Art Therapists. Ms. Singh clarified that the Board will draft its own bill that directly addresses grandfathering as the previous bill was not a Board proposed bill.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for March 28, 2018, at 12:00 p.m., in Conference Room A, of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Prouse made a motion, seconded by Ms. Banta, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Board of Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Professionals

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.